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Hopewell Homicide Suspect Convicted by Jury of Three Charges

[Hopewell, VA] – UPDATE On Friday, February 24, 2023, Maurice Eric Mulrain was convicted of 1st Degree Murder, 2nd Degree Murder and Conspiracy to Commit Murder in the deaths of Julian Emmanuel Sharpe and Elisa Scott. Mr. Mulrain will be sentenced on June 21, 2023. The hard work displayed by the detectives involved, as well as the Commonwealth's Attorney's Office, led to the arrest and conviction of Mr. Mulrain. We are extremely proud of the outcome of the trial. This will let people know that you cannot come to our city and commit crimes without being held accountable.

On August 20, 2020 at approximately 2:30 P.M., officers responded to the 1300 block of Central Avenue for a call for service of shots fired. Upon arrival, officers discovered that Julian Sharpe and Elisa Scott had sustained gunshot related injuries. Mr. Sharpe was pronounced deceased on scene and Ms. Scott was transported to MCV Hospital where she succumbed to her injuries.

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Maurice Eric Mulrain

